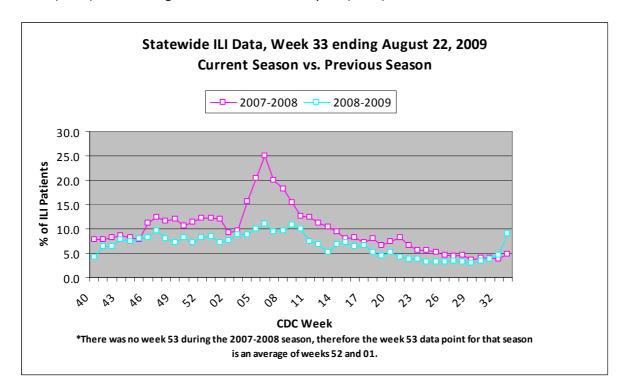
For week 33 (08/16/09- 08/22/09), the overall state ILI rate (9.1%) increased markedly from last week (4.7%) and was higher than this time last year (4.8%).

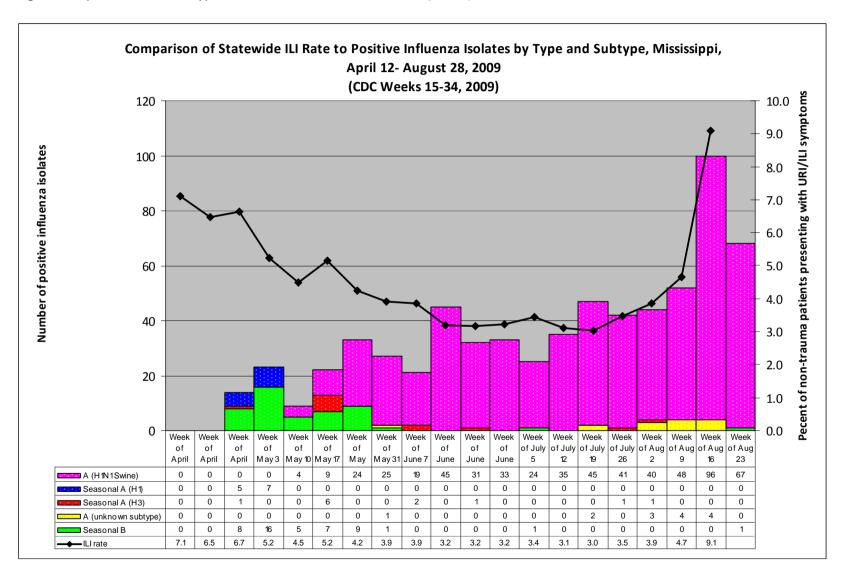


During week 33, all districts an increase in ILI activity, except district V, which remained about the same.

***Due to the increased testing for the presence of Novel H1N1 (swine) flu in MS, 1947 flu specimens have been submitted for testing to the MSDH PHL since April 27^{th.}. 586 specimens have tested positive for novel H1N1 (swine) flu. The positives were from the following counties:

County	Total	County	Total
Total	586	Lincoln	8
Adams	4	Lowndes	7
Alcorn	4	Madison	17
Attala	2	Marion	8
Bolivar	3	Marshall	5
Calhoun	13	Monroe	15
Chickasaw	6	Neshoba	10
Choctaw	5	Newton	4
Clarke	14	Noxubee	1
Clay	3	Oktibbeha	17
Coahoma	10	Panola	18
Copiah	7	Pearl River	4
Covington	9	Perry	2
DeSoto	26	Pike	6
Forrest	20	Pontotoc	2
Franklin	3	Prentiss	1
George	6	Quitman	8
Greene	4	Rankin	14
Grenada	4	Scott	8
Hancock	10	Simpson	2
Harrison	68	Smith	5
Hinds	19	Stone	2
Holmes	4	Sunflower	3
Humphreys	1	Tate	3
Jackson	23	Tishomingo	2
Jasper	10	Union	2
Jefferson	1	Walthall	9
Jefferson Davis	1	Warren	5
Jones	8	Washington	3
Lafayette	8	Wayne	1
Lamar	18	Webster	6
Lauderdale	13	Wilkinson	1
Lawrence	2	Winston	36
Leake	7	Yalobusha	2
Lee	7	Yazoo	3
Leflore	2	Unknown	1

Below is a comparison of the state ILI rate to the number of positive influenza isolates since mid- April. Starting in late May and into August, the predominate flu type identified has been novel H1N1 (swine) flu.



Mississippi reported "regional" activity for week 33. For more information on flu activity nationwide, please refer to the CDC's website at: http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/fluactivity.htm.

